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2. JOE ZERAFA, REELECTED MLP PRESIDENT AND MAIN SPEAKER, BLAMED 26 FACTORY CLOSURES IN PAST 20 MONTHS ON MISTAKES OF PREVIOUS NATIONALIST PARTY ADMINISTRATION. REFERRING TO CURRENT WAVE OF STRIKES, ZERAFA SAID LABOR NOW INVOLVED IN FIGHT WITH CERTAIN INDUSTRIALISTS WHO ARE SACKING WORKERS IN ORDER TO INFLATE UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES. HE NOTED FAVORABLY THE CURRENT RISE IN TOURISM, AND SAID GOM STRIVING PUT MALTA BACK ON ITS FEET ECONOMICALLY.

3. SEVERAL FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL UNION OF SOCIALIST YOUTH ALSO ADDRESSED THE CONFERENCE. P. M. MINTOFF WILL ADDRESS CLOSING SESSION MAY 12. GETZ

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